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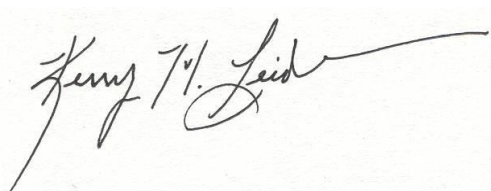
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Memorandum

To: Bill Hanson
School Board Members

From: Kerry M. Leider 

Date: March 7, 2012

Re: Bid #1184 – West Middle School Bid Package #2 – WS #37– Electrical,
Communications and Security – APi Electric Company – Authorization to
Proceed with Change in Work Scope

Bid #1184, WS #37 – **Electrical, Communications and Security** at West Middle School was approved at the Special School Board Meeting on June 15, 2010 with a base bid of \$3,284,650.00.

Theatrical lighting in the auditorium and sound systems in the auditorium, gymnasium, and pool were not included in Bid #1184 and were planned to be processed as a separate bid. In February 2012, bids were solicited and received for Bid #1219, Work Scope 40: Theatrical Lighting. The result of the bidding for the lighting was in excess of the budget for this scope and could not be recommended for approval. Also in February, bids were solicited but none received for Bid # 1219, Work Scope 41: Sound Systems. Due to the bid results, no contracts were recommended for the School Board's approval in February.

Since receipt of the bid, architects and electrical engineers have refined the specifications to reduce the cost of this lighting and sound scope of work.

Without bid response for the sound system scope and considering the advantages of maintaining this type of work under one electrical contractor, and to maximize coordination of this work with other work now underway that will create some synergy, Krause Anderson along with LHB and JCI are recommending the sound and lighting scope to be completed by a change order. This Change Order would be to the agreement with APi Electric Company, the primary Electrical, Communications and Security contractor now performing work on this project site.

KA reports a \$390,000 budget is established for these two scopes of work combined. KA believes this open book process agreed to by APi and LHB and KA's knowledge of pricing related to this area of concern will allow the District to get the best value for its dollar and be in a much better position to keep this project on schedule and the auditorium ready for school this fall without added cost that could occur due to a re-bid at this time.

Because of the value of this change to a construction agreement, I wanted to request and gain the School Board's authorization to proceed with this work by change order. APi's proposal for this work is at a cost of \$_____ and KA and LHB are reviewing it to confirm it is appropriately priced and consistent with the budget committed for this scope of work.

The School Board will be asked to formally authorize the change order once the total final value is received and recommended.

Recommendation:

It is recommended the School Board authorize the theatrical lighting in the auditorium and sound systems in the auditorium, gymnasium, and pool to proceed by change order to the Construction Agreement with APi Electric Company related to Bid #1184 – West Middle School Bid Package #2 – WS #37– Electrical, Communications and Security. The actual Change Order with final value listed will be acted on by the School Board in a separate action in April.